
In the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

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1. (currently amended) A car seat with an extendable back for use in a car which comprises:

a seat member for positioning a bottom of said seat member of said car seat upon a seating surface within said car;

a back member connected to said seat member, said back member further comprising:

a fixed component having a laterally extending essentially flat middle section and a pair of raised contoured sides adjacent said middle section;

a movable component having a laterally extending essentially flat middle section and a pair of raised contoured sides adjacent said middle section capable of movement from a retracted position to at least one extended position, said movable component comprising:

an upper headrest area with a pair of forward extending wings and an upper headrest interior width as measured between said forward extending wings,

a lower area separated from said upper headrest area by a pair of fixed size laterally and inwardly-projecting indentations, said indentations extending into said middle section of said movable component and accommodating an automobile shoulder belt through one of said indentations, said lower area having an inner surface and a pair of raised sides and a contour in cross-section for sliding movement along said fixed component having a mating contoured surface in cross-section, said lower area fixedly connected to said upper headrest area, said lower area having a lower area interior width as measured between said raised sides,

~~said upper headrest interior width and said lower area interior width being essentially the same~~, said movement from said retracted position to said at least one extended position occurring by sliding movement of said movable component over said fixed component along said raised contoured sides of both said fixed and movable components;

said upper headrest area in invariant fixed relationship to said lower area and separated by said indentations,

said fixed and movable components in overlapping essentially gapless relationship with respect to each other with sliding movement between said components at both said retracted and extended positions,

and further wherein sliding movement between said components does not increase a size of said indentations between said upper headrest area and said lower area; and

a means for selectively positioning and retaining said movable component relative to said fixed component; ~~said means comprising:~~ _

~~an upwardly extending projection having at least two releasable means for securing said movable component in either said retracted or said at least one extended position.~~

2. (original) The seat of claim 1 wherein said movable component is attached in front of said fixed component.
3. (original) The seat of claim 1 wherein said fixed component and said movable component permit telescoping movement therebetween.
4. (original) The seat of claim 3 wherein said telescoping movement is fixed by a length of at least one longitudinal channel in said fixed component.
5. (original) The seat of claim 4 wherein said telescoping movement is fixed by a length of at least two longitudinal channels in said fixed component.
6. (canceled)
7. (original) The seat of claim 5 wherein said means for selectively positioning said movable component relative to said fixed component permits adjustment by incremental discrete movement.
8. (currently amended) The seat of claim 7 wherein said means for ~~securing~~ selectively positioning comprise a pair of outwardly biased shafts which engage indentations on said fixed component.
9. (currently amended) The seat of claim 8 wherein said means ~~for securing~~ for selectively positioning are mating teeth and grooves.

10. (original) The seat of claim 1 wherein said means for selectively positioning said movable component relative to said fixed component permits infinitely variable movement.

11. - 40. (canceled)

41. (currently amended) A car seat with an extendable back which comprises

a seat member for positioning upon a seating surface within said car;

a pivotable back member connected to said seat member, said back member further comprising:

a fixed component comprising:

a laterally extending essentially flat middle section;

a pair of raised contoured sides adjacent said middle section; and

a top ledge having a left and a right ledge shoulder belt clearing surface section;

a moveable component having a laterally extending essentially flat middle section and a pair of raised contoured sides adjacent said middle section capable of movement from at least a retracted position to at least one extended position, said moveable component comprising:

an upper headrest area with a pair of forward extending wings and an upper headrest width;

a lower area separated from said upper headrest area by a pair of fixed size laterally and inwardly-projecting indentations with indentation bottom surfaces, said indentations extending into said middle section of said moveable component and accommodating an automobile shoulder belt through one of said indentations, said lower area having a surface and a contour in cross-section for sliding movement along said fixed component having a mating contoured surface in cross-section, said lower area fixedly connected to said upper headrest area, said lower area having a lower area width,

wherein said indentation bottom surfaces are at or above said left and right top fixed section shoulder belt clearing ledge surfaces as said moveable component travels from said retracted position through said at least one extended position; and

further wherein upon sliding movement an occupant retains support from said laterally extending essentially flat middle section of said fixed component and from said essentially flat middle section of said movable component when said movable component is moved from said retracted position to said extended position.

42. (previously presented) The seat of claim 41 wherein said movable component is attached in front of said fixed component.
43. (previously presented) The seat of claim 42 wherein said fixed component and said movable component permit telescoping movement therebetween.
44. (previously presented) The seat of claim 43 wherein said telescoping movement is fixed by a length of at least one longitudinal channel in said fixed component.
45. (previously presented) The seat of claim 44 wherein said telescoping movement is fixed by a length of at least two longitudinal channels in said fixed component.
46. (previously presented) The seat of claim 45 which further comprises a means for selectively positioning and retaining said movable component relative to said fixed component.
47. (previously presented) The seat of claim 46 wherein said means for selectively positioning and retaining said movable component relative to said fixed component is a pair of outwardly biased shafts which engage indentations on said fixed component.
48. (previously presented) The seat of claim 47 wherein said means for selectively positioning are mating teeth and grooves.
49. (previously presented) The seat of claim 46 wherein said means for selectively positioning said movable component relative to said fixed component permits infinitely variable movement.

50. (new) A telescoping back for a child's car seat which comprises:

- (a) a seat;
- (b) a seat back connected to said seat;
- (c) said seat back comprising a lower section with a generally flat back surface seat back width and an attached upper section
- (d) wherein said lower section telescopes to extend away from said seat; and wherein
- (e) said generally flat back surface seat back width of said lower section provides complete back support throughout said telescoping extension to provide pelvic and shoulder support when said seat back is in a contracted or an extended position.

51. (new) A child's car seat having a telescoping back which comprises:

- (a) a seat;
- (b) a seat back connected to said seat;
- (c) said seat back having a width and being telescopic with inner and outer components to extend away from said seat;
- (d) said seat back providing complete back support over said width at any point in said telescoping extension from a collapsed to an extended position thereby providing contiguous pelvic and shoulder support in said positions; and
- (e) said contiguous support being across a width of said inner and outer components.